

Neighborhood News

November Meeting Highlights

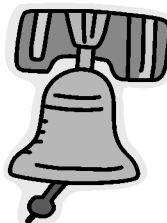
Mary Lou Parry ran the meeting. PSA 2 Captain Morris was on hand to update us on criminal activity in the neighborhood. City police officers have implemented more walking patrols around our neighborhood. Captain Morris noted that copper thefts continue to be a problem across the city. He advised neighbors to be on the look out for downspout thieves in trucks or on bicycles. He said that area hardware stores sell straps that homeowners can use to secure downspouts to their homes. In addition, Allentown Police Detective Kelshaw is now in charge of copper thefts. Please call him if you have copper stolen from your property (610 437-7721). Tom Mulligan's patrol of the neighborhood brought information about possible zoning and code violations. Neighbors asked Captain Morris about the need for signs that could slow speeding traffic on Chew Street between 17th and 22nd Streets.



Got a house for sale in your neighborhood? Al and Ev Habecker send out letters to realtors and owners about the student overlay guidelines. If you see a For Sale sign, call Al and Ev at 610-432-8032, or email them at aehabecker@yahoo.com. Thanks, Al and Ev for helping to preserve the residential character of our neighborhood.

Help Allentown Celebrate its 250th Anniversary

Volunteers are needed in many areas. Visit the website, www.allentownpa.gov/250 for complete information about this year long celebration and upcoming events.



Citizens Helping Eliminate Crime **CHEC-MATE**

CHEC-Mate, designed by the Allentown Police Department gives Allentown residents a way of calling the police anonymously to report suspicious activity in their neighborhoods. Request a CHEC-Mate card by calling 610-437-7522 or attending one of our meetings. In 4-6 weeks you will receive your card with a number assigned specifically to you. When call the communications center, you give only your CHEC-MATE number on the card. CHEC-Mate is a confidential way of reporting crime to help make your neighborhood safer! Take extra care to protect yourself, your family and your property. Please report suspicious people, vehicles, or activity to the police. The police non-emergency number is 610 437-7751. In an emergency call 911. See current crime reports on page 2.



Our next meeting:

Holiday Get-Together
Wednesday, December 14
7:00 P.M

Take time out of your busy schedule to spend time with neighbors. If you haven't been able to come to our meetings in a while, come, enjoy some holiday refreshments and get reacquainted with your neighbors!

Future Meetings:
Wednesday, January 11
Wednesday, February 8

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Real Estate Sales Letters: Al and Ev Habecker 610-432-8032,
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Crime Reports

Our Community Watch receives a crime report of activity in our area from the Allentown Police Department. The reports give the date, location, and type of incident. Nuisance crimes like carrying open alcohol or underage drinking do not appear on this list. Neighbors have requested that this information be included in the newsletter. The location will be given by block only.

10-02	400 block Leh St.	Noise Complaint
10-02	2300 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
10-04	2400 block Chew St.	Theft
10-06	Ott/Chew Sts.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-08	2200 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
10-08	2300 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
10-10	400 block 22nd St.	Noise Complaint
10-10	400 block Albright Ave.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-11	500 block 19th St.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-11	600 block 27th St.	Theft
10-11	2000 block Allen St.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-15	500 block Leh St.	Vandalism
10-15	1900 block Allen St.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-15	2100 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
10-16	300 block 22nd St.	Disturbance Other than Family
10-16	400 block 22nd St.	Disturbance Other than Family
10-19	2400 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
10-22	2000 block Tilghman St.	Shoplifting
10-22	2000 block Tilghman St.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-23	500 block 19th St.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-24	24 th / Early Sts.	Suspicious Auto, Noise, Person
10-24	2400 block Chew St.	Theft
10-24	Liberty/Muhlenberg Sts.	Vandalism
10-24	200 block 20th St.	Theft
10-24	2200 block Liberty St.	Theft
10-27	22nd/Liberty Sts.	Robbery
10-29	2100 block Gordon St.	Noise Complaint

Criminal Mischief: usually a form of vandalism – broken windows, graffiti, etc. **Theft:** stealing items from vehicles or from outdoor areas. **Burglary:** illegal entry into a home or business to steal items. **Disturbance – Other than Family:** Any disturbance between two people that are not related - neighbors, friends, store clerk/patron (Domestic Disturbances are tracked separately). **Vandalism to Residence** Any form of criminal mischief that is done directly to a house or residence. **Forcible Entry** Another term for burglary, where someone had to use some sort of force to enter the home/business (i.e. prying a door/window, smashing a window, cutting a hole in the roof).

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Phone Numbers to Know

City Information Desk 610 439-5999
Code Enforcement 610 437-7661
Code Enforcement Rental Licensing 610 437-7694.
Community Problems (neighbor disputes) 610 437-7773
Crime Prevention Unit 610 437-7719
Emergency Medical Services (paramedics) 610 437-7531
Emergency Medical Services (non-emergency) 610 437-7751
Garbage Complaints 610 437-8729
Graffiti Busters 610 437-8729
Graffiti in Progress 9-1-1
Housing Compliance/Inspections 610 437-7697
Leaf Pickup 610 437-7587
Police Calls (non-emergency) 610 437-7751*
Rental Unit Inspections 610 437-7695
Sewer Back-up 610 437 7639
Sewer Emergencies after hours 610 437-7751
State Representative Jennifer Mann 610 821-5577
SWEEP (Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste) 610 437-8729
Weeds/Grass Overgrowth 610 437-8729
Yard Waste Recycling 610 437-8729
Zoning 610 437-7630
*When calling 610 437-7751, remember that anything that impairs the peace, dignity, and decorum of the neighborhood is considered "disruptive conduct."
Tip for calling 9-1-1
If you hear an intruder in your home, stay where you are and call 9-1-1. You don't have to say anything, just leave the line open and don't hang up. This works with land lines and cell phones alike.



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